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ELECTRONIC STATIC ADSORPTION METHOD

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

Kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Specification

After "BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION", please add:

A1
--CLAIM OF PRIORITY

This application claims priority of Japanese Patent Application No. 2000-223029, filed July 24, 2000.--

At page 1, please replace the third paragraph with the following:

A2
--It is necessary to fix the plastic films comprised of metal, organic compounds or inorganic compounds and so forth on a sample stand. In cases in which these plastic films are subjected to surface processing and treatment such as heat treatment or plasma treatment, or are adhered or joined with other materials.--

Page 6, please replace the third full paragraph with the following:

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- Fig. 1A is a cross-sectional view showing the entire apparatus, and Fig. 1B being an